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## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An optical receiver, small and inexpensive, is used for a WDM transmission system in place of a wavelength demultiplexer. In the receiver, a light-transmitting medium and a photodiode (PD) are placed on the same substrate, a wavelength-selecting filter is attached perpendicularly or obliquely to the end face of or to a cut section at the midpoint of the medium, the filter transmits only the assigned wavelength included in the incident light having multiplexed wavelengths, and the PD detects only the assigned wavelength. With an optical fiber, the fiber can be housed in a ferrule. In this case, the filter is inserted into a filter-supporting hole provided at a midpoint of the ferrule, the ferrule is fixed in a groove formed on the substrate, and an optical pathway-changing groove formed on the substrate reflects light having emerged from the optical fiber to introduce it into the PD.